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Stationing of Armed Police in the Nerur village, Tiruchirappalli district.

* 354 *Q.*—Sri M. KALYANASUNDRAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any armed reserve police was stationed in the village of Nerur, Tiruchirappalli district, during September and October 1954;

(*b*) if so, the reasons for stationing armed police in that village; and

(*c*) the total amount of expenditure incurred in that connection?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) A detachment of the armed Reserve was stationed at Nerur village from the 30th September 1954 to the 8th October 1954.

" (*b*) It was felt necessary to do this because of the dispute between waram cultivators and mirasdars of the village.

" (*c*) Rs. 136–8–0."

Compensation to the family of one Sanyasi.

* 355 *Q.*—Sri N. K. PALANISAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state whether any compensation was paid to the family of the mill worker by name Sanyasi who lost his life while attempting to rescue three workers of the Corporation of Madras, who were trapped while cleaning the drains on 30th May 1954?

The Hon. Sri A. B. SHETTY :—" No, Sir."

Sri N. K. PALANISAMY :—" May I know whether the Government will recommend to the Corporation payment of compensation to the affected families? "

The Hon. Sri A. B. SHETTY :—" The question of payment of compensation to the heirs of the two workers of the Corporation who died in the accident is before the Commissioner for Workmen's Compensation. Enquiry is now pending."

Improvement of tanks under the Madras Irrigation Works (Repairs, Improvement and Construction) Act, 1943.

* 356 *Q.*—Sri N. K. PALANISAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state how many tanks have been repaired, improved or newly constructed since 1953 under the provisions of the Madras Irrigation Works (Repairs, Improvement and Construction) Act, 1943?

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" The answer is nil."

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SRI N. K. PALANISAMY :—" எவ்வளவு குளங்கள் மராமத்து செய்யப்பட்டிருக்கின்றன என்று கேட்டதற்கு கனம் மந்திரி அவர்கள் ஒன்றுமே இல்லையென்று சொன்னார்கள். குளங்கள் எல்லாம் ரிப்பேர் செய்யப்படவேண்டுமென்று பல கிளர்ச்சிகள் நடந்துகொண்டிருக்கின்றன. ஒரு வருஷ காலமாக இதைப்பற்றி பத்திரிகைகளிலும் அடிக்கடி வந்துக் கொண்டிருக்கின்றன. குறிப்பாக இந்த ராஜ்யத்தில் பல குளங்கள் ரிப்பேர் செய்யவேண்டியிருக்கின்றன. ஆனால் அவற்றின் அடி பூமி வேறு ஒருவருக்குச் சொந்தமாக இருப்பதால் அவற்றை ரிப்பேர் செய்ய அனுமதிப்பதில்லை. ஆகவே அந்த பூமிகளை கட்டாயமாக எடுத்துக்கொள்வதற்கு வதாவது ஒரு ஏற்பாடு செய்வார்களா ?"

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Under this Act, the work is meant to be taken up either as a new irrigation work or repairs in estate areas only. The Government on the eve of abolition of estates stopped taking any action under this Act."

Abolition of Junior Section in Palayad Basic Training School, North Malabar.

* 357 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Junior Basic Section in the Palayad Basic Training School, North Malabar, has been abolished; and

(*b*) if so, why?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) & (*b*) No, Sir. As accommodation in this school is very limited fresh admissions were not made to the junior first year in the current year."

Extension of the Madras Slum Improvement (Acquisition of Land) Act, 1954, to other places.

* 358 *Q.*—SRI N. K. PALANISAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state whether the Government have any proposal to extend the Madras Slum Improvement (Acquisition of Land) Act, 1954, to Madurai, Coimbatore and Tiruchirappalli towns?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" No, Sir."

Opening of a Sub-Registrar's office at Meppayur, Malabar district.

* 359 *Q.*—SRI P. KUNHIRAMA KIDAV : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state whether the Government are arranging to open a Sub-Registrar's office at Meppayur in Kurumbranad taluk, North Malabar?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" The answer is in the negative."